

EIGHTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

Duval, Encinal, Hidalgo, Starr, Webb, and Zapata counties; Webb the returning county.—Santos Benavides, of Laredo, Webb county, was born in Laredo, November 1, 1827; was procurador of Laredo, in 1843; mayor of the town in 1857-8, and chief justice of Webb county in 1859-60; since the war, has twice been alderman; was captain of State troops from 1860 to 1862; major of Col. Duff's regiment, Confederate cavalry, in 1863, and colonel of the same regiment from 1863 until the close of the war; is a merchant by occupation; was a member of the House of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Legislatures, and re-elected to the Eighteenth by a large majority over Rafael Alderete, Independent Republican.